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Subject: phthalates

Hello Mike,

I am wondering if there is a forum to request that phthalates be placed on the PBT's list for Washington State. Is there a reason that these chemicals have not been banned yet other than the fact that we just haven't gotten around to it? I know there are many toxins in the environment to be concerned about and you must prioritize which are the crucial ones to focus on. There are alternatives to phthalate use in plastics and cosmetics now though so there is really no reason not to ban their production and use in this state. I may be wrong but I believe California banned them some time ago. It is a travesty that I have to worry about what my babies toys are made of, what toxins are in the IV tubing or bags that I had attached to me while in labor with my baby, etc.

Thanks for any feedback you can offer,

Erin Zamzow Renton, Washington